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## CHS financial report good news

Crittenden Health Systems had a good report for Crittenden Fiscal Court this week.

On Tuesday, CHS CEO Greg McNeil, as he does each month, presented the health care facility's abbreviated financial statement to magistrates and Judge Executive-Perry Newcom. The report showed a net loss of only \$365 for the month of January. This is in contrast to an average monthly loss of more than \$20,700 since November of last year.

McNeil, who took on the role of CEO at the hospital in November, said January saw an extraordinary number of patients treated at the facility.

Though the fiscal court does not have a hand in the operation of the hospital, it does contribute \$12,500 each month to CHS to offset expenses. The financial report presented Tuesday did reflect that monthly allocation.

## Dumping center without inmates

Crittenden County Convenience Center on U.S. 60 East just outside of Marion is without inmate help for the time being.

The center will be manned by a deputy jailer and will remain open for its regular hours of operation. However, there will be no trustees from Crittenden County Detention Center to assist with offloading trash. The inmate labor was pulled Monday due to an ongoing investigation centered around the convenience center.

The move was made public at Tuesday's Crittenden Fiscal Court meeting, but further details were not available because the investigation is continuing.

## Candidate pulls out of jailer's race

According to Crittenden County Clerk Carolyn Byford, Republican Robert "Rocky" Roberts has withdrawn from the county jailer's race due to personal reasons.

Three Republicans – Robbie Kirk, Mike McConnell and Ricky Winders – and three Democrats – Byron Jasis, Daniel Kemper and Rick Mills – remain in the race. The primary election is on May 20.

## Public meetings

- Crittenden-Livingston Water District meets at 7 p.m. Monday at the district office in Salem.

- Crittenden County Board of Education meets for its regular monthly meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Rocket Arena.

- Crittenden Health Systems Board of Directors will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the hospital administrative annex.



Legalization of medical marijuana is currently being debated in the Kentucky General Assembly. For this week's on-line poll, we asked, "Do you favor legalizing medical marijuana in Kentucky?" The majority of voters oppose such a measure. The results were:

- Yes: 43%
- No: 53%
- Unsure: 4%



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# Rural water rates to go up March 1

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Rural water customers in Crittenden and Livingston counties will soon be paying more when they go to the tap.

Crittenden-Livingston Water District will be implementing a 5-percent, across-the-board increase in base rates effective March 1. Ronnie Slayden, superintendent of the water district, said the increase is

necessary to meet rising costs to operate the utility.

"The price of everything is going up," Slayden said.

The new rates will see an average residential water bill of \$30 go to \$31.50. Businesses, farms, industries and wholesale customers will also be paying 5 percent more for water usage. Bulk sales will see the same rate increase.

"It's not that big of an

impact," said Slayden, who will also be paying the new rate at his own Livingston County residence.

Next month's rise in the per-gallon cost of water is the second in a three-stage increase approved by the Kentucky Public Service Commission.

"Instead of raising rates all at once, they set us up on a three-phase increase,"

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## Water district increasing rates

Crittenden-Livingston Water District will be increasing water rates by 5 percent effective March 1. The schedule below reflects the current base rates and the new base rates that go into effect next month.

	CURRENT	NEW
<b>Residential, small business (5/8-inch meter)</b>		
First 1,000 gallons (minimum bill) .....	\$16.99	\$17.84
Next 9,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$9.66	\$10.14
Next 10,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$8.28	\$8.69
All over 20,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) ....	\$6.53	\$6.86
<b>Bulk sales</b>		
All (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$6.53	\$6.86
<b>Wholesale customers</b>		
All (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$2.34	\$2.46



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Workers with Crittenden County's Kentucky Department of Highways state garage make temporary repairs Tuesday afternoon to a pock-marked stretch of South Main Street in front of Marion City Hall. Permanent fixes to those potholes as well as some in front of Beavers Car Wash just up the street will take place when the weather breaks.

# Potholes on Main Street talk of town, to be addressed soon

Pot shots and guard towers have been on the lips of folks round town the last few days.

Every time I stick a head into a storefront on Main Street, the most common question is, "When will the street be fixed?"

Of course, they're talking about the potholes that have appeared on Main Street right in front of Marion City Hall.

Barber Mike Crabtree, whose shop is also in front of the holes, says he sees people's teeth rattle every time a driver rolls across the ripples.

Don't know if St. Christopher – the patron saint of travelers – has worked some sort of miracle or what, but it seems like everyone is getting in on the repair act now that



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the weather has broken.

A state crew was there Tuesday patching the street where it's been crumbling all winter. Problem is, the temporary fix may not last past today's predicted rainfall.

Keith Todd, official spokesman for the Kentucky Department of Highways, which maintains U.S. 60 – including Main Street – says extreme weather has been a big factor in the problems, but there's more.

"Our engineers believe the issues go back to the reworking of the city water system through town," Todd said. "When you do that much digging along a major route like U.S. 60 (Main Street), it is difficult to get everything put back the way it should be."

Despite attempts to shore up the base before repaving Main Street in August 2012, Todd said failures in the subterranean support layer have occurred over time.

The City of Marion is also preparing to take a major role in repairing the street. City Administrator Mark Bryant said as soon as weather permits, the bad places will be dug up and put back as a concrete

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# Yarbrough eyeing top job with Webster School District

By DARYL K. TABOR

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The county's top educator is planning to join a number of applicants for the job of superintendent of a neighboring school district.

Last week, Crittenden County Superintendent of Schools Dr. Rachel Yarbrough confirmed that she intends to seek the position of superintendent in Webster County. A graduate of Webster County High School, Yarbrough spent her entire career as an educator there before being hired to head up the local school district nearly six years ago.

"I am going to apply," she told The Crittenden Press on Friday.

As of press time Tuesday, there had been eight applicants for the job, according to Pete Galloway, interim superintendent of Webster County Schools. The board of education there will be taking applications for the job through the end of the month, though Galloway said that deadline could be extended.

There is no firm date set to make a hire, according to the interim superintendent. He said that will depend on how long it takes to vet all of the candidates.

"It will certainly be before the next school year," he added.

Yarbrough was hired as superintendent in Crittenden County in July 2008. In 2012, the board of education renewed her contract through 2016.

Local Board of Education Chairman Chris Cook said he has full confidence that Yarbrough remains focused on the task at hand.

"Dr. Yarbrough and I have had several conversations concerning the future, and I can assure you that she is and will continue to be focused on leading Crittenden County Schools as long as she is serving as our superintendent," Cook said in an e-mail.

Webster County Board of Education is seeking a new superintendent to replace Dr. James Kemp, who retired from the position in December 2013 after 12 years in that role. Galloway has served as interim superintendent since Kemp gave up the position.

Yarbrough spent her 19-year career as an educator in Webster County before she was hired to lead Crittenden County. She began her career there as a teacher and moved through the ranks as a principal and central



Yarbrough

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# Inmate on life support in Paducah after collapse at local jail

By DARYL K. TABOR

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A state inmate who was being housed at the Crittenden County Detention Center is on life support in Paducah after collapsing at the jail last week.

According to Jailer Phil Parker, the inmate was at a church service last Thursday evening when he collapsed and appeared to be having a seizure. The man was treated at the scene by deputies until Crittenden EMS arrived. He was then

transported to Crittenden Health Systems before being transferred to Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, where he remained on life support and in an unconscious state at press time Tuesday.

"He's just not getting any better," Parker said.

Due to federal HIPAA privacy rules, Parker could not release the name of the inmate, but he did say the man was from Jefferson County. He added that the inmate had no history of seizures or other

serious medical problems.

Parker presented Crittenden Fiscal Court Tuesday morning with a report from the detention center on the incident.

According to the report, the inmate collapsed at 8:42 p.m. He was immediately attended to by Lt. Tina Rushing, Sgt. Josh Jackson and deputies John Owen and Jeannie Fox. The man's vital signs were taken, and a doctor was called, as per medical protocol at the jail.

While Rushing was on the

phone with the doctor, the inmate stopped breathing at approximately 8:50 p.m., and no pulse could be found. Jackson, a combat veteran who has performed CPR on the battlefield, began administering life-saving measures while 911 was called.

Crittenden EMS arrived at 8:55 p.m., at which time Parker was notified of the incident. Medical technicians began emergency rescue

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# Early childhood ed bill passes House

Last week was rather quiet in the House chambers, especially when compared to the debate on the state minimum wage about which I reported in last week's update. However, there is one bill that warrants discussion.

I am a huge supporter of education from early childhood on. I believe strongly that good education is the foundation for success in life. Therefore, I look forward to any discussion about education and how to improve it in a fiscally responsible manner.

This brings me to House Bill 332, which is an act relating to early childhood education. The key phrase being "relating to." Current law requires appropriate state agencies in conjunction with childcare providers to develop a rating system for licensed childcare and certified family childcare homes based on certain criteria. The law further stipulates that participation in the rating system by childcare providers is voluntary.

A few years ago, Kentucky was successful in its application for Race to the Top funds from the federal government. With nearly

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\$44 million dollars over four years for early childhood education now available, HB 332 would amend the law to add Head Start and state-funded preschool to the program and make it mandatory for all childcare providers.

During debate, everyone spoke about the benefits of early childhood education and proper training of child-care providers. These are laudable goals, indeed. In fact, you may have seen television news programs where this bill was praised. Unfortunately, several equally important issues were overlooked.

First, and possibly foremost, HB 332 says nothing about actual education. It speaks solely to the administrative regulations for a rating system based on child to caregiver ratios, childcare staff training, curriculum and regulatory

compliance. It then talks about time frames for reviews of a rating, an appellate process and, finally, the ability of providers to request re-evaluation for a rating.

Secondly, the bill does not address funding. I would think that \$44 million would be sufficient to develop an administrative process, but without limitations, I am not certain that the agencies tasked with administering the program will stop after spending a "mere" \$44 million. In fact, during debate, no one was able to say what would happen when the federal money had been spent. Based on the lack of an answer, an amendment was proposed that would require discontinuation of the rating system when the federal money was spent.

The amendment that would require discontinuation of the rating system when federal money was spent was defeated. I voted yes on the amendment. A vote on the bill as written was then taken, and the bill passed. Since the bill did not address actual education and since there was no limitation on spending, I voted no.



PHOTO BY LRC PUBLIC INFORMATION  
**Rep. Lynn Bechler (R-Marion) asks a question during the Feb. 6 meeting of the House Committee on Health and Welfare during the 2014 regular session of the Kentucky General Assembly.**

As I have said many times, I strongly support education. I am disappointed that HB 332, unfortunately, does not speak to actual education.

With almost half of the 2014 General Assembly's regular session behind us, we continue to work on and debate a budget for the next two years. Numerous bills and resolutions have

been filed, though. As of Monday morning, members of the House of Representatives have filed 399 bills and 143 resolutions while members of the Senate have filed 129 bills and 143 resolutions.

Of these 814 bills and resolutions, two bills have become law. Senate Bill 7 established a new collaborative prescribing agree-

ment between physicians and nurse practitioners. This addresses the lack of physicians in many rural areas and provides the opportunity for quality care in these areas. I voted yes on SB 7.

SB 113 extends the time allowed for county clerks to establish precincts. This is necessary for counties that are affected when legislative redistricting occurs. I voted yes on SB 113.

As always, thank you for reading my updates and thank you for contacting me with your concerns and thoughtful suggestions. It is a privilege to represent you in the Kentucky House of Representatives and your input helps me make decisions that best represent the views of the Fourth District.

I am on Facebook, and you can follow my periodic posts if you "Like" my Lynn Bechler, Kentucky State Representative page.

*(Rep. Bechler is a first-term Republican representative from Marion. He represents House District 4, which is comprised of Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell and a portion of Christian County.)*

# Senate OKs bills to help diabetics cope with disease

Dozens of bills were considered by the legislature last week. Many received the approval of the full Senate. Among them, several matters that would impact health care in various ways.

Senate Bill 103 would allow trained caregivers to administer life-saving insulin and glucagon to diabetics experiencing symptoms of hypo- or hyperglycemia. Under the bill, individuals would receive written permission, training and instructions by a patient's doctor beforehand. Kentucky has a growing number of patients with diabetes, and we hope this measure will help those patients receive better care in the management of their illness.

Another measure aimed at helping diabetic patients would allow non-licensed school employees to administer insulin to diabetic students. Employees would follow guidelines developed by the American Diabetes

Sen. Dorsey Ridley  
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Association and would receive permission and training by medical providers and parents. House Bill 98 is the first from the House of Representatives to receive full Senate approval. It follows laws passed by more than 30 other states and would better enable students to remain at their neighborhood schools for treatment during the school day.

An added provision of that bill would also allow trained school personnel to administer certain rescue drugs for students experiencing a seizure.

SB 47 would allow the Department of Public Health

to report statistical data on drug-addicted newborns. The data would be anonymous and reported at a regional or county level. We feel this information is critical in considering and tracking substance abuse treatment and prevention.

SB 85 would expand a medical provider's duty to report a patient's threat of violence or harm to include those receiving outpatient mental health care. This measure is just another step in ensuring the health and safety of all Kentuckians, while still respecting the patient-provider relationship.

The Senate also unanimously passed an important education measure last Thursday. SB 89 would help protect the online privacy of Kentucky students by prohibiting the sale or marketing of student data gathered through Web-based services at their schools. The measure would require school districts to inform parents of

the types of student information given to third-party web-based service providers.

Another provision of SB 89 would allow local school districts to adopt academic standards that exceed standards approved by the state board of education.

Last Wednesday, many of our local officials were in Frankfort for Kentucky League of Cities Day. It was nice to be able to talk to our leaders from back home and hear their concerns and priorities for our district. I always want input from our local officials because they are there making decisions for our community day after day and know what is needed. I appreciate all those from my district who came to Frankfort and took the time to visit with me.

Last week was particularly special because Tuesday was West Kentucky Day in Frankfort, and, as you can imagine, western Kentucky was shining. It was nice to have citizens, busi-

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ness leaders and local officials from back home in Frankfort not only to meet with me and my colleagues in the western Kentucky Caucus, but all the members of the Kentucky Gen-

eral Assembly. And, nobody was complaining as they sampled that delicious, mouth watering western Kentucky barbecue prepared by some of our very own restaurants. It was a good day indeed. Thanks to all those who were a part of spotlighting western Kentucky.

The session is nearing the half-way point and work will only intensify from here. Legislation may seem slow moving at times, but the vetting process is long and hard, as it should be. We want to make sure that the laws created by our work in Frankfort are best for the people we serve.

We also want to make sure you have the chance for your voice to be heard.

*(Sen. Ridley, a Henderson Democrat, has served in the Kentucky Senate since 2004 representing Senate District 4, which is comprised of Crittenden, Livingston, Caldwell, Webster, Union and Henderson counties.)*

# Capitol Cinemas rebirth into digital age keeps history alive

There's nothing quite like going to the movies. There just seems to be something very American about catching Hollywood's best on the silver screen. And that wonderful experience is about to be upgraded for patrons of Capitol Cinemas in Princeton.

If you've never watched a flick at the rustic downtown theater, now is certainly the time to go. If it's been a while since you've sat in front of the big screen there, now is the time to go back. And if you're a regular, there's all the more reason to keep going back.

After just a few days off, the Little Cinema That Could is about to be born

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My 2¢ Worth

into a new era.

"It's the digital age," said Ross McGregor on Monday.

McGregor is the manager of Capitol Cinemas. He and owner Heidi Boyd have this week been overseeing the theater's long-awaited conversion to digital.

After the screens went dark last Saturday, the cinema closed down to facili-

tate the switch from 35mm to digital projection. On Friday, Capitol Cinemas 2.0 is expected to emerge from its short-lived cocoon with the best movie-going experience available...for my dollar, at least.

It will be uniquely Americana while utilizing 21st century technology.

But most important, it's a win-win for all involved.

For the viewer, the picture will be sharper, and the sound will be crisper. Heck, it will probably even make the popcorn and Milk Duds taste better. For the owners, it will be simpler to use, and it will be easier and less expensive to get those first-run movies.

"It's fantastic," McGregor said. "So many things can go wrong with 35mm."

In a digital age, film has become passe. The 35mm era is rapidly coming to an end. Eventually, theaters will no longer have the option of obtaining new movies on the film medium. Studios are phasing out the big, bulky canisters of film, instead opting for small, digital hard drives.

For Capitol Cinemas, it was either upgrade to digital projection or get left behind. Without conversion, no longer would the cinema be able to get those first-run blockbusters that it depends on to survive.

So, it's out with the old,

in with the new.

The upgrade does not come cheap. McGregor said the conversion for all three screens cost Boyd \$130,000. A year-long fundraising effort culminated in December with enough funds to finance the switchover.

Thus, another piece of living history was saved.

When Marion lost its theater decades ago, we lost more than a business, for movies hold a special power. Like books, they have the ability to take us back in time or send us into the future. They give us heroes, villains, giants and legends. They take us on grand adventures to distant lands

and far away universes. They make us laugh. They make us cry. They feed the imagination.

And that's no small task in today's busy world.

While giant multi-plexes package all that with the glitz and glamour that only Hollywood can match, Capitol Cinemas offers something more coveted – a cozy, intimate escape from life for a couple of hours.

And I give that two thumbs up.

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# 'So' now fashionable way to start sentences

So what's with the increased usage of the word "so" at the beginning of sentences?

I've noticed it more and more on newscasts and news magazines, during interviews with everyone from celebrities to financial experts, as well as in conversations with friends.

Have you?

I, too, have found myself guilty of using it much more frequently than I once did, and definitely for more of a lead-in to a discussion than for its grammatical purpose.

Here's a trip back to elementary school English class. "So" is either a conjunction, a word to connect clauses or thoughts, or an adverb. But "so" used at the beginning of a sentence is neither connecting nor describing.

So why are so many people using it as soon as they

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open their mouths?

If you haven't noticed it, pay attention to the folks on television. I bet you'll start to pick up on it, and perhaps become annoyed at the idea of professional people technically misusing a word that rarely belongs at the beginning.

It's almost as if the word "so" is a new substitute for the nervous "well" or "um" my parents used to warn me about.

I wondered if anyone else noticed. So I Googled it.

And, of course, I found

several answers – or at least a common theory and some good arguments, one source being a New York Times article headlined "Follow My Logic? A Connective Word Takes the Lead," published in 2010.

The author, as I had, suggested it is the new "well," "um," "oh" and "like" highly common in our every-day language.

Interestingly, he printed quotes from Hillary Rodham Clinton and National Public Radio in which both started sentences with the word "so."

From the New York Times article, I learned that the increased use of the word "so" at the beginning of thoughts or sentences allegedly has its origin in Silicon Valley. Apparently, Microsoft employees argue that the "so boom," as he calls it, is at least in part due to computer

programmers answering questions with the word "so."

So there you have it.

If you're still interested in learning more, read over some of the numerous online search results on grammar and word reference forums.

One argument is it's been common practice to start sentences with the conjunctions "and" and "but," and, therefore, "so" since the 10th century. Yet others (i.e., your English teachers) will agree that those words belong in the middle of a sentence and never be capitalized at the beginning.

I guess it's up to who is grading the paper.

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# Group dedicated to rehab through recreation

By JASON TRAVIS  
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With a vision to help individuals focus on their abilities – not their disabilities – the handiCAPABLE Guide Service Inc. is dedicated to educating and rehabilitating those presented with physical challenges or developmental delays through outdoor recreational activities. The non-profit charity provides individuals the opportunity to experience a variety of fishing and hunting expeditions.

Based in Grand Rivers, the all-volunteer staff and management offer various forms of adaptive recreational activities, including boating, fishing, hunting and camping. While donations are welcome, individuals are not charged for services.

The idea for the guide service came in 1991, when Union County teen Marcus Gough, who was diagnosed with terminal Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy, and tournament fisherman and licensed guide Noel Dillard, realized the need to provide children and adults with disabilities an opportunity to experience and enjoy outdoor recreation.

After Gough's death in the mid-1990s, Dillard and a team of volunteers continued the mission of providing recreational services to help children and adults enjoy their lives.



PHOTO PROVIDED  
**Noel Dillard and Stephen Bezy fish in the 2013 Bluegrass Bash. In April, American Legion Post 68 is holding an auction of new and slightly used items for handiCAPABLE Guide Service Inc. Individuals who would like to donate items can call (219) 765-3011 for more information.**

Dillard, originally from Washington State, has been fishing and guiding since the 1970s. For more

than 20 years, he's witnessed the enjoyment individuals with disabilities receive by participating in out-

door activities.

"I've actually had grown men cry because they've caught fish. They didn't think they could ever go fishing again," he said. "I've had nurses in hospitals tell me they didn't realize how much hunting and fishing meant to men."

Since its inception, several thousand men and women, children and adults, have been given hands-on demonstrations, training and excursion opportunities. Dillard said activities are not limited to this area and some individual excursions have taken place as far south as Florida to north of the United States border with Canada.

With a variety of activities from which to choose, the guide service provides a 21-foot wheelchair-accessible fishing boat with wheelchair tie downs; adaptive fishing equipment; trained volunteers with experience in adaptive fishing and hunting techniques; and educational seminars on adaptive hunting and fishing that can be designed to an organization's needs at its location.

The guide service is almost entirely funded by donations from individuals and businesses. Monetary donations are always welcome.

A fundraiser to help purchase equipment is scheduled to begin at 8 a.m., April 5 at the Lyon County Convention Center. American Legion Post 68 will be holding an auc-

tion of new and slightly used items. Individuals who would like to donate items can call (219) 765-3011 for more information.

Tax deductible donations can be addressed to handiCapable Guide Service Inc., P.O. Box 421, Grand Rivers, KY 42045. Individuals can also choose to donate by visiting their website at [www.handicapable.net](http://www.handicapable.net) or by visiting their Facebook page. With an entirely all-volunteer staff, all activities must be scheduled in advance. Visit their website or call (270) 362-0970 or (270) 559-6876 for scheduling information.

In addition to helping wounded warriors and paralyzed veterans, the service can also make accommodations for the elderly or those in assisted living facilities who are still able to enjoy time in the outdoors. Officials stress clients are not lifted into the guide service's fully accessible boats.

Dillard believes true enjoyment in life comes from activities that reach beyond one's financial dreams and obligations of owning a home and car. He said outdoor recreation can enrich an individual's life on many levels.

"That's what I'm trying to do. Enlighten and bring more enjoyment to an individual's life," he said. "We're taking them from becoming a spectator to being a participant."



PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS, THE PRESS

## Weather doesn't deter hunters

Like some of the more essential occupations, hunting guides at Winghaven Lodge in eastern Crittenden County stayed on point during the recent snow and ice storm and its aftermath. Despite frigid temperatures and snow-covered fields, the game preserve never missed a beat over the last couple of weeks, drawing hunters from across the region and country. Pictured here is (from left) guide Matt Young of Sturgis with hunters Ed Carey of Bowling Green and Jim Waddell of Brownsville, Tenn. The pointer is Rusty. Winghaven and its owners Russell and Michele Edwards were also among the sponsors of the Fohs Hall Ball, contributing a half-day hunt to the fundraising auction.

# Documentary showing to help prevent bullying at middle school

STAFF REPORT

Bullying can take on many forms. One common type of bullying is the mistreatment and negativism that often occurs between girls every day. To bring attention to the problem and discover meaningful solutions, Crittenden County Middle School will show "Finding Kind," a documentary that discusses the negative and lasting effects of bullying among girls.

CCMS guidance counselor Lindsey Sever said the documentary brings the issue to the forefront and addresses the many types of bullying that occurs between girls.

"It asks the question, 'Why?'" Sever said. "Why are we doing this to one another

instead of showing each other kindness and building each other up? Why do we tear each other down?"

The documentary will be shown at 1:20 p.m. next Wednesday in the middle school multipurpose room. That same night, community members are invited to attend a public showing of the documentary at 6 p.m., also in the middle school multipurpose room. The documentary is geared toward girls 11 to 18 years old and their parents.

"Finding Kind," an internationally-recognized movement, documentary and school program, brings awareness and healing to the negative and lasting effects of bullying between girls. From

name-calling, rumors and ostracizing to more extreme acts of physical fighting, bullying can have long-lasting effects that include depression, anxiety, loss of self-worth and eating disorders.

The Finding Kind movement was started by Lauren Parsekian and Molly Thompson, two Pepperdine University students who both were affected by female bullying. Together they decided to create a documentary and founded a non-profit to help change the lives of young women across America.

For more information, contact Sever at (270) 965-5221 or Holly White at (270) 965-3525.

# Conger retiring from post office

STAFF REPORT

After a career dedicated to public service, Marion resident Kenny Conger will officially retire at the end of this month as a mail carrier with Marion Post Office.

Originally from Crayne, Conger has spent his adult life in service to his country and community. He served four tours in the Vietnam War, where in Oct. 1967, he received the Purple Heart after being shot in the leg during an ambush while leading a reconnaissance unit. After his last tour ended, Conger later was stationed overseas in Germany.

After returning to U.S. soil and civilian life, Conger again found the opportunity to serve. He was a patrol officer for the Marion Police Department from 1977 to 1993. Conger then served his community in another capacity, as a carrier for the U.S. Post Office in Marion.

Reflecting on his career at the post office, Conger said he will miss the people he has seen every day for more than 20 years, including his colleagues and customers on



SUBMITTED PHOTO

**Kenny Conger (far right) will officially retire from the Marion Post Office at the end of the month. Pictured with Conger is postmaster Anthony Brooks and postal clerk Francis Tramel.**


postal Route 4.

He said retirement will bring the opportunity to indulge in many of his favorite hobbies, including fishing.

Marion postmaster Anthony Brooks expressed his

congratulations on Conger's retirement from the post office.

"It's been a pleasure working with him, and I think he will enjoy his retirement," Brooks said.



Born and raised in Crittenden County, I served as a Kentucky State Trooper, KSP Detective and as a Drug Enforcement Agent for more than 25 years. I understand that a jailer has a wide range of responsibilities. One of those is a responsibility to the citizen's of our County to run the jail in a Professional, Successful manner. I believe I can fulfill the qualifications required to be your jailer. I would appreciate your support and I ask for your Vote on May 20<sup>th</sup>.

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## Photo contest seeks to get kids outdoors

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet is taking submissions from young nature photographers for a contest.

The cabinet's "Capture the Earth" contest is for middle school students grades 6 to 8.

Cabinet Secretary Len Peters says the contest is meant to get students outside to explore their natural surroundings.

Entries will be accepted until April 4. The winner will receive lodging for two nights at a Kentucky State Resort Park.

Students can e-mail one photograph as an attachment to [kidsphotocontest@ky.gov](mailto:kidsphotocontest@ky.gov).

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# New Madrid fault zone not dead yet

wealth Attorney Zac Greenwell indicated that he would not oppose shock probation at a later date, but no timetable was established.

Pigg waived formal sentencing and began serving his sentence immediately.

- Jason Millikan, 35, of Marion pleaded guilty to a variety of weapons and drug charges. He will be formally sentenced next month.
- The judge revoked the probation of Tiffany Myers, 23, of Marion who failed to complete a long-term substance abuse rehabilitation program. A probation and parole officer testified at the revocation hearing that

Myers left the program without completing it in October and had not reported to the detention center as required by terms of her probation. Myers' attorney, Public Defender Paul Sysol, asked the court for leniency in the case, but Judge Williams pointed out that Myers had already received shock probation twice since her 2010 conviction for forging prescriptions for Lortabs at CVS Pharmacy.

Myers was ordered to prison to serve the five-year sentence she received in the 2010 case.

- A July 28 trial date was set for Austin S. Russell, 19,

Marion, who faces a charge of second-degree rape. Greenwell, the state prosecutor, said a blanket collected as evidence in the case had been returned from the lab, testing positive for semen. The sample will now be sent to the lab for DNA analysis, added Greenwell.

Russell is charged with raping a 13-year-old girl.

Last winter, in an unrelated case, Russell was convicted of custodial interference and auto theft after skipping town with a 15-year-old girl.

He remains lodged in the Crittenden County Detention Center.

closed since Sunday and remains closed today (Thursday) while the switchover is finalized. Manager Ross McGregor said plans are to open Friday evening with the nation's top box office draw, "The Lego Movie," "Saving Mr. Banks" and "Lone Survivor" showing on the cinema's three screens.

"The picture is clearer and audio will also be better," McGregor said of the improvements.

To celebrate the reinvention of Capitol Cinemas, owner Heidi Boyd is offering concessions at half price through Sunday.

McGregor said the conversion to digital equipment cost about \$130,000. Fundraisers were held over the past year to help generate money to pay for the upgrade.

CVS Caremark Corp. and other major drugstore chains have been adding clinics to their stores for several years. Their pharmacists deliver flu shots and other immunizations, and their clinics also have been expanding the care they deliver.

CVS CEO Larry Merlo says the company decided it can no longer sell cigarettes at places where it also provides health care.

The move will cost the Rhode Island-based company about \$2 billion in annual revenue. But CVS executives expect it to also help the health care business grow.

## KyTC launches new information Website

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet has launched a Web portal that makes vast amounts of information available to the public.

With a click of a mouse, someone can find out how many electric vehicles are registered in Kentucky, how much was spent last year on highway projects in each county and where state-maintained bridges are located.

The new Web portal is called Kentucky Transportation Cabinet DataMart.

Other details accessible through the portal will include traffic counts, highway crash data and organizational performance measures.

State Transportation Secretary Mike Hancock says the information has always been available to the public, but the cabinet has created a single portal through which to access it.

The portal was developed by the cabinet's Office of Information Technology.

The website is [datamart.business.transportation.ky.gov](http://datamart.business.transportation.ky.gov).

The deadline for Crittenden County High School seniors to submit photos for this year's Senior Show during class night is Feb. 28.

The pictures can be of individuals or a group from elementary school through high school. Digital images are preferred, but printed photos can be submitted in a clear plastic bag to Anna Schnittker or Ashley Cooper.

Electronic images can be e-mailed to Schnittker at [Anna.Schnittker@stu.crittenden.kyschools.us](mailto:Anna.Schnittker@stu.crittenden.kyschools.us).

## Ag chief: Global warming a problem

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack says he's convinced the effects of climate change have already had a negative impact on agriculture and forestry in the U.S.

Vilsack is citing the intensity and frequency of recent storms, plus droughts, snowstorms and subzero weather. He says the nation must play an active role in preparing for

climate change. Vilsack spoke at the White House as the Obama administration announced it is creating seven regional hubs to help coordinate and distribute information about the effects of climate change. The hubs will be based at Agriculture Department facilities. They'll assess local climate risks, such as drought and wildfire, then develop plans for dealing with them.

— *The Associated Press*

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# New CCHS mascot to be unveiled Friday

By JASON TRAVIS

STAFF WRITER

Get ready for a new tradition to be launched once the Crittenden County Rocket basketball teams take to the court Friday night in Rocket Arena. A brand new custom-made Rockets mascot costume will be unveiled and ready to cheer on both boys and girls teams to victory on senior night against visiting teams from Fort Campbell.

Crittenden County High School history instructor Kim Vince said the student council was able to fund a great portion of the expense in creating the costume. Fundraisers such as T-shirt and pork chop sales also helped buy the costume.

"We worked three to four years on this project. It was a lengthy project. We had a lot

of kids working on it. So that's why we're so excited to have it finally come to fruition," Vince said regarding fundraising efforts.

The custom-made costume was born out of a wish list students made on what qualities they wanted the costume to feature. Those ideas were presented to BAM Mascots, a company in Canada which specializes in manufacturing mascot costumes. Based on the school's suggestions, the company created a mock design before getting the final approval. The production aspect took almost five months, with the company receiving design details last August. The school received the completed costume in January.

A small fan inside the costume is intended to keep the

individual portraying the mascot cool when being used. It has felt on the exterior and a foam interior. The Rocket mascot will be cheering on all student athletes as they participate in other sports like baseball, softball and football. Vince said the goal is to ignite school spirit both at school and within the community.

"Our hope in the future is if someone wants the Rocket to show up at a birthday party or at other community events we can do that as well," Vince said. "We've got to start small but we want to expand it and our hope is to get it to that level."

Students said the new mascot will boost school spirit by getting the crowd pumped up during games. Students selected to wear the costume have been told the

importance of being energetic and showing enthusiasm as they cheer on the home team and ignite fan participation. While mascots are known for both their energy and antics, students wearing the costume also understand they are representing the Crittenden County schools.

"This is such a big project for our school. When we recruited and had try-outs, we were looking for students willing to put their best Rocket-face forward," Vince said. "Even though they need to be silly, they still need to be professional at all times and represent the school well."

Vince said senior night was the perfect time to unveil the new mascot, as both boys and girls teams are expected to be playing in front of large crowds.

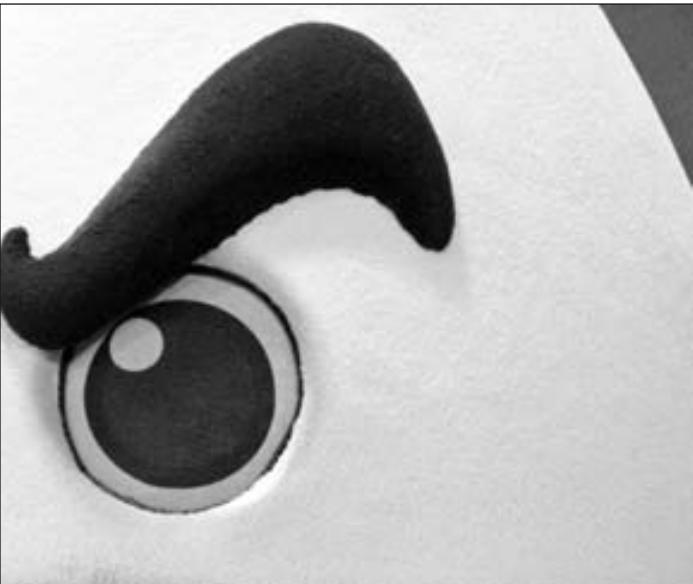


PHOTO PROVIDED  
School officials provided this sneak preview of the new Rocket mascot costume before its official unveiling on Senior Night this Friday at Rocket Arena.

## Applications sought for 4-H camp jobs

STAFF REPORT

Adults 18 or older who enjoy the outdoors can apply for a summer job at one of the four 4-H Camps located throughout Kentucky. In fact, West Kentucky 4-H Camp at Dawson Springs needs applicants for several positions.

Camp dates for West Kentucky are May 27-July 18. Required staff training dates are May 18-23.

Summer 4-H camps are co-educational for 9- to 14-year-olds and are from four to five days in length. Staff work 40 hours or more per camping session. Salary is \$300 to \$400 per week, plus room and board during each camping session.

To apply, click on Cooperative Extension Jobs at [ukjobs.uky.edu](http://ukjobs.uky.edu) and complete the application by March 7.

Contact the Crittenden County University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service at (270) 965-5236 for details.

## Board of education votes to add diesel unit to propane bus order

STAFF REPORT

An amended school bus order was the topic at a special called meeting of the Crittenden County Board of Education on Feb. 11. The meeting followed the school board's monthly working session.

School board members approved an amended order to purchase two propane buses and one diesel bus.

In December the school board originally approved the purchase of two propane buses through KISTA funding. However, last week board members voted to add a smaller 54 passenger diesel bus to that order. The diesel bus will replace a 2001 model which had already received a new transmission before the motor stopped working. The transmission in the 2001 model will be retained as a backup.

The new diesel bus will be used for transporting pre-school students and will come with the latest in safety standards regarding built-in child seat restraints. The 54 passenger diesel can also be used to transport student athletes to sporting events.

The three new buses are expected to arrive mid to late spring. The two propane buses will replace older diesel models in the district's fleet. Crittenden County Schools Superintendent Dr. Rachel Yarbrough said currently there aren't any 54 passenger school buses that run on propane fuel.

All three buses will be purchased through KISTA, or Kentucky Interlocal School Transportation Association, a not-for-profit association of Kentucky school districts that was formed to

provide school districts that finances buses. Instead of paying the total cost up front, payments are set up on a multi-year schedule.

With the addition of two propane buses, the school district should have three buses fueled by propane running on its routes by the start of the 2014-15 school year. At this time, Crittenden County operates one propane bus and is the only school district in the state allowed by the Kentucky Department of Education to pilot propane buses for use on daily bus routes.

Lead bus mechanic Wayne Winters said it costs 23 cents a mile to operate the propane bus. By comparison, two diesel buses that run a similar route both in mileage and terrain, average 56 cents a mile to operate.

# FSA microloans extend credit to farmers

The Farm Service Agency (FSA) developed the microloan program to better serve the unique financial operating needs of beginning, niche and small family farm operations. FSA offers applicants a microloan designed to help farmers with credit needs of \$35,000 or less. The loan features a streamlined application process built to fit the needs of new and smaller producers. This loan program will also be useful to specialty crop producers and operators of community supported agriculture (CSA).

Eligible applicants can apply for a maximum amount of \$35,000 to pay for initial start-up expenses such as hoop houses to extend the growing season, essential tools, irrigation and annual expenses such as seed, fertilizer, utilities, land rents, marketing and distribution expenses. As financing needs increase, applicants can apply for a regular operating loan up to the maximum amount of \$300,000 or obtain financing



from a commercial lender under FSA's Guaranteed Loan Program.

Individuals who are interested in applying for a microloan or would like to discuss other farm loan programs available should contact the Hopkinsville Service Center, as it services Crittenden and Livingston counties for your farm loan needs. Contact their office at (270) 885-5066 for additional program information, loan applications and other materials. You may also visit [tinyurl.com/7o8jhl](http://tinyurl.com/7o8jhl).

### Insurance deadline

Producers must apply for coverage before a disaster strikes. Non-insured Crop

Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) applications for coverage must be filed using Form CCC-471 along with the applicable service fees by the closing date. Application closing dates vary by crop.

We would like to remind producers that the application closing date for alfalfa, clover, grass, millet and mixed forages is March 1 for the 2014 crop year. Crittenden and Livingston County producers can contact the Salem Farm Service Agency Center for specific crop application sales closing dates at (270) 988-2180.

NAP provides coverage to producers for non-insurable crops when a low yield, loss of inventory or prevented planting occurs due to natural disasters. Crops eligible for NAP coverage are those for which crop insurance is not available, including fruits and vegetables, aquaculture, pecans, turf grass and forage crops, just to name a few.

Not only does NAP cover forage crops intended for hay, there is also a policy that covers grazing. NAP

policies are \$250 per administrative county per crop no matter how many acres you have of that particular crop. Each crop varies but some crops have a separate fee for the different intended uses.

If you are interested in purchasing coverage on a NAP crop or would just like some additional information on the NAP program, please contact the office and we can provide you with more detailed information, or more information can be found online at [tinyurl.com/nhd2wsp](http://tinyurl.com/nhd2wsp).

### Upcoming

- March 1: Last day to purchase Non-insured Crop Assistance Program coverage on grass.

- July 28: Last day to apply for Emergency Loan (Livingston County).

*(Laura Kessler is the U.S. Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency executive director at the Salem service center, which serves both Crittenden and Livingston counties. She can be reached at (270) 988-2180.)*

## Livestock report

### USDA Ledbetter auction results

Feb. 18, 2014  
Receipts: 774 head.  
Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers traded 7.00-10.00 higher. Supply included 48% feeder steers, 36% feeder heifers, and 34% of feeders were over 600 pounds. Slaughter cows and bulls traded steady to 3.00 higher.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 1-2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
4	200-300	252	210.00-229.00	221.42
9	300-400	343	211.00-226.00	218.81
52	400-500	450	200.00-214.00	208.08
28	500-600	530	186.00-200.00	192.47
4	500-600	508	195.00-202.00	198.45 VA
23	600-700	634	165.00-175.00	170.70
66	600-700	631	176.00-191.00	185.82 VA
17	700-800	731	153.00-162.00	159.43
5	800-900	827	146.00-154.00	150.73
3	900-1000	936	145.00	145.00
1	1100-1200	1155	100.00	100.00

Groups: 45 head 606 lbs 191.00 red; 21 head 684 lbs 176.00 red.

Feeder Steers Medium and Large 2-3				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	200-300	265	190.00	190.00
11	300-400	373	200.00-209.00	206.52
12	400-500	461	182.00-199.00	193.27
22	500-600	566	164.00-184.00	178.34
3	600-700	645	154.00-155.00	154.65

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 1-2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
2	200-300	255	183.00-200.00	190.83
35	300-400	353	184.00-198.00	192.29
33	400-500	437	185.00-199.00	188.96
48	500-600	540	166.00-182.00	172.44
28	600-700	651	155.00-165.00	160.04
6	700-800	709	141.00-149.00	147.65
1	800-900	865	100.00	100.00
3	1000-1100	1075	100.00	100.00

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
3	200-300	257	160.00-180.00	171.74
8	300-400	353	160.00-178.00	171.34

Feeder Heifers Medium and Large 2-3				
18	400-500	472	165.00-181.00	177.15
13	500-600	563	147.00-165.00	157.99
2	600-700	638	148.00-152.00	150.05
1	700-800	755	120.00	120.00

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 1-2				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
5	300-400	384	212.00-215.00	214.39
18	400-500	459	190.00-208.00	201.31
16	500-600	537	174.00-186.00	181.71
4	500-600	506	195.00	195.00 pen
13	600-700	640	160.00-171.00	166.10
4	700-800	780	147.00-155.00	148.95
1	800-900	890	122.00	122.00
3	900-1000	914	121.00-125.00	123.69

Feeder Bulls Medium and Large 2-3				
Head	Wt Range	Avg Wt	Price Range	Avg Price
1	300-400	335	185.00	185.00
3	400-500	468	180.00-187.00	183.68
10	500-600	570	171.00-172.00	171.39
4	600-700	665	145.00-158.00	153.96
2	700-800	750	125.00-132.00	128.66
4	900-1000	936	100.00-111.00	106.97

Slaughter Cows:				
%Lean	Weight	AD	HD	LD
Breaker	75-80	1400-2015	85-92	
Boner	80-85	1110-1600	81-90	77
Lean	85-90	1010-1300	72-80	83 68.50-71
Lite	85-90			

Slaughter Bulls:		
YG:	Weight	Avg-Dress
#1-2	1355-2310	96.00-101.50
<b>Stock Cows:</b> Cows 4 to 8 years old and 3 to 8 months 905.00-1410.00 per head.		
<b>Stock Cow/Calf Pairs:</b> Not enough to test.		
<b>Baby Calves:</b> Beef breeds: 140.00-230.00 per head.		

Chip Stewart, market specialist  
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OBITUARIES

Faith

John Leonard Faith, 71, of Marion died Feb. 11, 2014, in Goodlettsville, Tenn.

He is survived by his wife, Janice Faith of Marion; three sons, Richard Faith of Salem, Matthew Faith of Marion and Jason Faith Marion; a daughter, Leann Colapietro of Clarksville, Tenn.; a sister, Caroline Kieffer of Marion; two grandchildren; and one step-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Hubert William and Lee Etta Faith.

Graveside services were Friday at Mapleview Cemetery in Marion with interment to follow.

Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion was in charge of arrangements.

Kinnin, 100

Anna M. Kinnin, 100, of Marion died Feb. 13, 2014, at her home.

She is survived by a son, Gerald W. and wife Sherry Kinnin Sr. of Marion; three grandchildren, Gerald W. Kinnin Jr. of Covington, Ky., Adrienne Cruz of Henderson and Jennifer Benson of Henderson; and several great-grandchildren.

Kinnin was preceded in death by her husband, L.O. Kinnin; her parents, Ruben and Mary Etta Glore; four brothers; and two sisters.

Funeral services were Monday at Calvary Baptist Church with interment in Mapleview Cemetery.

Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion was in charge of arrangements.

Hicks

Lois V. Brasher Hicks, 81, of Eddyville, formerly of Marion, died Friday at Crittenden Health Systems in Marion.

She was a lifelong member of Marion Baptist Church and member of the Kentucky Board of Realtors.

Hicks is survived by a daughter, Tracey Choat of Eddyville; two sons, Roy Anthony "Tony" Hicks of Aliso Viejo, Calif., and James C. Hicks of Deer Park, Texas; three brothers, Bill Fox of Marion, Doug Fox of Marion and Jimmy Fox of Ledbetter; a sister, Elizabeth Campbell of Kissimmee, Fla.; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy Hicks; her parents, Collin Fox and Edith Fox Russell; a son, Michael Hicks; a sister; and a brother.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Gilbert Funeral Home in Marion with interment in Mapleview Cemetery.

Donations may be made to: River City Mission, 100 Fountain Ave., Suite 106, Paducah, KY 42001; Happy Trails Ministry, c/o Marion Baptist Church, 131 E. Depot St., Marion, KY 42064; or IICE Ministries, 500 Baker Road, Fredonia, KY 42411.

Booher

Jeanetta Ann "Skeeter" Talley Booher, 74, of Franklin, Ky., died Feb. 12, 2014, at her home.

She was born July 18, 1939, in Livingston County.

Booher is survived by her husband of 59 years, Eddie Bramlet Booher; her step-mother, Hazel Ringstaff Talley; 10 children, Carol and husband Paul Grover, Brande Booher-Brock, Chock and wife Adrian Booher, Brock and wife Britt Booher, Cameo and husband Rob Tonkinson, Tahlee and husband Iggy Scarpitti, Tassie and husband Randall Earnest, Brent and wife Kory Booher, Amory and wife Lisa Booher and Ada and husband John Hess; 45 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and 20 bonus grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Fredrick and Ada Alberta Hankins Talley; a sister, Lona Talley Clason; and three grandchildren, Kelsey Danielle Tonkinson, Emerald Eve Grover and Amber Marie Grover.

Funeral services were Monday at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Bowling Green with burial at Restlawn Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Franklin.

J. C. Kirby & Son Funeral Chapel in Bowling Green was in charge of arrangements.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to: Hospice of Southern Kentucky, 5872 Scottsville Road, Bowling Green, KY 42104.

Thompson

Dorothy N. Thompson, 79, of Burna died Feb. 17, 2014, at Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation Center.

She was of Baptist faith.

Thompson is survived by two brothers, Donnie McElmurray of Paducah and Norris McElmurray of Burna.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William R. Mitchell; a brother, Curtis McElmurray; and her parents, Coy and Lela Dickerson McElmurray.

Graveside services were Wednesday at Old Salem Cemetery.

Arrangements were under the direction of Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem.

Stephens

J.C. Stephens, 79, of Marion died Feb. 17, 2014, at Salem Springlake Health and Rehabilitation Center.

He was a member of Seven Springs Baptist Church.

Stephens is survived by his wife, Patsy Stone Stephens; a son, Mark and wife Carolyn Stephens of Dyersburg, Tenn.; a stepson, Mike Maxfield of Marion; a sister, Betty and husband Bob Austin of Kuttawa; a grandchild; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John Curtley Stephens Sr. and Ruby Ledbetter Stephens.

There will be no services. Arrangements were under the direction of Boyd Funeral Directors in Salem.



Stephens

Rural water district increasing rates

Crittenden-Livingston Water District will be increasing water rates by 5 percent effective March 1. Many farms are fed by 1-inch lines and large industries by 2-inch lines. The schedule below reflects the current base rates and the new base rates that go into effect next month.

	CURRENT	NEW
<b>1-inch meter</b>		
First 5,000 gallons (minimum bill) .....	\$55.63	\$58.40
Next 5,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$9.66	\$10.14
Next 10,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$8.28	\$8.69
All over 20,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$6.53	\$6.86
<b>2-inch meter</b>		
First 15,000 gallons (minimum bill) .....	\$145.33	\$152.55
Next 5,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$8.28	\$8.69
All over 20,000 gallons (per 1,000 gallons) .....	\$6.53	\$6.86

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Slayden explained.

The first phase saw a 6.7 percent increase implemented on Jan. 1, 2013. After next month's increase, it will be more than a year before the next adjustment. That final phase will see another 5 percent increase effective May 1, 2015.

Prior to this three-stage increase, the last rate adjustment occurred in January 2006.

Slayden said the water district has had to deal with rising costs of every-day

things from chemicals to treat water to its own utilities. In fact, the water district is paying more than 20 percent more for electricity than it was when its last rate increase was implemented.

The superintendent said the last monthly electrical bill from Jackson Purchase Electric Cooperative was around \$8,000 at just the water treatment facility.

The water district has roughly 3,500 tap-ons in its namesake counties. The water district also supplies wholesale water to Salem, Smithland, Grand Rivers, Ledbetter and Lyon County municipal systems.

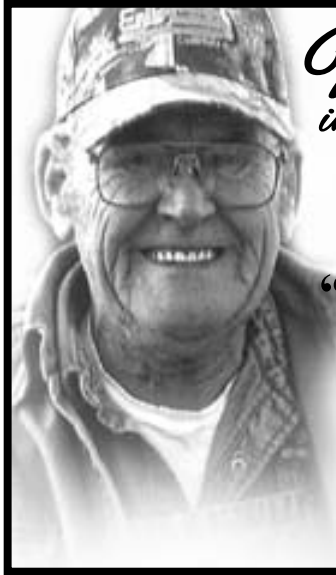
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office employee before spending her last nine years in the district as an assistant superintendent. She

served several of those years as an assistant under Kemp.

Yarbrough currently lives in Madisonville, which is about 20 miles from Webster County School District's central office in Dixon.



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that never goes away.  
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# Parents, teens need to talk about finances

Why should families talk about money? Arguments over finances are a common problem in many families, regardless of income, age and education. They are often due to inadequate family communication in general. Beginning to include your children in age-appropriate discussions about family finances is a great first step to helping them learn to value money and spend it wisely. If parents never talk with their children about money, they are not providing their children with the guidance and



hands-on financial experience needed when they begin to spend money of their own. Like with many things, children learn about money by watching their parents. They also learn by practicing money management. Teenagers, who take part in regular discussions about

their family's financial management, learn how to make financial decisions on their own. Even if a child does not earn money to help with the family's expenses, the children in a family influence the family's spending choices. The wants and needs of children are a part of the family budget. Children, teenagers especially, are often unrealistic about the family's financial situation, typically over or underestimating the family's income and expenditures. It is important that parents help paint a realistic picture of the family's financial

circumstances for their teen. If your teenager has an allowance or birthday or holiday savings of their own, they will likely want and need to decide how to spend their money. Peers may influence their choices, so provide plenty of practice through the family's financial decision-making in long-range planning, record keeping and credit. Teach your teen to read a bill. Help them open a checking and savings account. Work with your teenager to develop his or her own spending plan. Make

discussions about money routine and comfortable by using these tips to improve your family's communication skills: Be honest about your money situation. If you cannot afford something, let your kids know. Use your judgment when disclosing information, but do not lead your children to believe you have more disposable income than you really do. Know that conflict may arise. Don't avoid (or ignore) it. Learn to manage conflict by respecting each family

member's differences. Try to be flexible. If possible, work toward a decision that is agreeable to all. State your wants, needs, feelings and thoughts and allow family members to do the same. Read these tips and more in the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension publication, FCS5-106, Money Management: Family Communications about Money, available at <http://www.ca.uky.edu/age/pubs/fcs5/fcs5106/fcs5106.pdf> or at the local Extension office in Marion.



Crittenden County High School FBLA officers pictured above are (front, from left) Dustin Perry reporter; Taylor Fritts, treasurer; Anna Schnittker, president; Amber Wright, activities director; (back row) Elle LaPlante, parliamentarian; Cody Hayes, secretary; Maggie Collins, historian; and Micah Holliman, vice president.

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## Crittenden County High School celebrates FBLA Week

**By ANNA SCHNITTKER**  
GUEST CONTRIBUTOR  
Future Business Leaders of America is the premier organization for high school students preparing for careers in business. It is the largest student business organization in the world with approximately 250,000 members nationally and more than 9,000 members in Kentucky. FBLA prepares students for real world professional experiences and opportunities such as career preparation, leadership development, community service and networking with business leaders across the nation. For the last 58 years, Crittenden County's local FBLA chapter has striven to

strengthen the confidence of students in their work as well as develop character and prepare for useful citizenship. Members gain a competitive edge for college and career success by participating in leadership conferences, competitions and community service activities such as Unite to Read, fundraising for the March of Dimes and participating in Community Christmas. Every year FBLA sponsors a different theme. In the past, we have supported causes such as anti-texting and driving and the importance of business etiquette. This year's theme is promoting green practices in the business world. FBLA week will be the last

week in February. Each day, students are encouraged to participate in the daily themes. Monday's theme is "Money Monday," when students wear green from head to toe. Tuesday's theme is "Suit Up for Success." All students are encouraged to dress in formal business attire. Wednesday's theme is "Work Wednesday." Students will wear an FBLA or local business related t-shirt. Thursday's theme is "Business Blue and Go Get It Gold," when students show off FBLA colors. Friday is College and Career Day, when students are

encouraged support their favorite college or career by wearing their gear. On Business Blue and Go Get It Gold Thursday, active FBLA members will be rewarded with the opportunity to participate in a High School Leadership Night, sponsored by the Nashville Predators, in which students are able to take a look into the business and marketing side of sports. As whole, FBLA is about encouraging students to reach their full potential in all areas of life and encouraging them to always aim for excellence. (Editor's note: Anna Schnittker is president of the Crittenden County High School FBLA. She is a senior.)

## Bunnell named to WCB

STAFF REPORT  
World Christian Broadcasting has named local banker Terry Bunnell to its board of directors. Bunnell is chairman, president and CEO of The Peoples Bank and Peoples-Marion Bancorp in Marion and Glasgow. "Terry's vision, leadership ability and strong faith fit the bill perfectly for us," said Charles H. Caudill, president and CEO of World Christian Broadcasting. "We're glad to have him aboard and are excited about working together as we continue to broadcast across the globe." Bunnell, a graduate of Webster and Freed-Hardeman Universities, is also president of the Glasgow-Barren County Community Foundation and chairman



Bunnell

of the Crittenden County Economic Development Corp. in Marion. World Christian Broadcasting operates non-profit, shortwave radio station KNLS and exists to tell the good news of Jesus Christ to the world by reaching the greatest number of people in the shortest time. Its international operations center is located in Franklin, Tenn., just outside Nashville. To learn more about the work of World Christian Broadcasting, visit their website at [www.worldchristian.org](http://www.worldchristian.org) or [www.knls.org](http://www.knls.org).



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## Lovely valentine

Jessica Tinsley, 19, daughter of Steve and Laura Tinsley of Marion, was awarded best interview and 1st runner-up in the 72nd annual Miss Valentine Pageant at Campbellsville University on Feb. 7. The pageant consisted of four categories including personal interview, talent, poise, evening gown and on-stage question. The pageant is the longest running tradition at the college. Tinsley was the 2012 Miss Crittenden County and is currently a sophomore at Campbellsville University. She is a 2012 graduate of Crittenden County High School and a spanish education major.

## SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR

Crittenden County Senior Citizens Center is open weekdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. each day and is \$3 for those age 60 and older. Milk, coffee or tea are available each day. Reservations are requested. Every day, the center at 210 North Walker St. in Marion offers billiards, card games, Wii games and use of the exercise equipment. Call the center at 965-5229 for further information. This week's activities and menu include: Today: Bible study with Pastor Terra Sisco begins at 10:30 a.m. Menu is hot turkey sandwich on wheat bread, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans and apple cinnamon cream cake.

Friday: Bingo begins at 10:30 a.m. Menu is beef roast with gravy, mashed potatoes, squash casserole, whole wheat roll and pears. Monday: Menu is Barbecue chicken, whole kernel corn, green bean casserole, whole wheat roll and tropical fruit cup. Tuesday: Menu is beef vegetable soup, egg salad sandwich on wheat bread, crackers and fruit cobbler. Wednesday: Menu is beef pot roast, oven-brown potatoes with carrots, whole wheat roll and banana pudding. Next Thursday: Livingston Senior Care Health Fair begins at 9 a.m. Menu is meatloaf, au gratin potatoes, seasoned cabbage, cornbread and peach slices.

## Community CALENDAR

**Saturday, Feb. 22**  
■ Due to winter weather conditions, the Healthy Eating Seminar has been rescheduled for 10:30 a.m., at the Woman's Club of Marion located on East Carlisle Street.  
■ Electrical, HVAC and plumbing classes will be held at the Ed-Tech Center in Marion. Call (270) 965-9294 for more details.  
**Monday, Feb. 24**  
■ The Extension Quilt Club will meet at 9:30 a.m., at the Extension Office. Rose Eldridge will demonstrate half and quarter square triangles

and show how this technique has been used in several quilts. Meetings are open to the public. Call (270) 965-5236 for more information.  
**Friday, Feb. 28**  
■ RSVP, or Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, will provide tax preparation at the Crittenden County Senior Center. Additional dates include March 28 and April 11. Apointments will be taken from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**Saturday, March 1**  
■ The Crittenden County Animal Shelter will be passing out spay and neuter vouchers to

the first 100 residents of Crittenden, Livingston and Lyon counties from 8 a.m. to noon at the shelter. The vouchers will be \$50 payable on day of handout and are good for 90 days with no refunds. They are good for dogs or cats, male or female. The vouchers can be used at the following participating veterinary clinics: Animal Practice of Marion (Dr. Call), Crittenden County Animal Clinic (Dr. Shemwell), Flannery Veterinary Clinic (Dr. Flannery), Lyon County Animal Hospital (Dr. Davis), Princeton

Veterinary Clinic (Dr. Black), Rogers Veterinary Clinic (Dr. Rogers), Stone Veterinary Clinic (Dr. Stone), Tradewater Animal Hospital (Dr. Steedley) and Williams Veterinary Clinic (Dr. Williams).  
**Thursday, March 6**  
■ A MAPP meeting will be held at 1 p.m., at the Crittenden County Health Department.  
**Monday, March 10**  
■ The Crittenden County Coalition for a Drug-Free Community will hold its next meeting at 6:30 p.m., at the Ed-Tech Center.



# Obituaries provide insight into local history

Though some might not like to admit it, when many people get the local paper – or even the paper from a nearby town such as Evansville or Paducah – the first place they find themselves turning is to the obituary page. Others will laugh and say, “I always check the obituaries first to see if there is anyone listed that I know.”

Long ago, obituaries could be very descriptive of the person's death, and many told the person's life events and happenings that could only be found in obituaries.

In an early 1900s issue of The Crittenden Press, I found an interesting and amusing article about obituaries. I guess the editor had seen both kinds and felt like sharing his opinion.

I am not making light of obituaries, for I find them an important part of our daily lives. Obituaries share our feelings for those who we have lost and they let our family and friends, far and near, know of their sad passing. But, hopefully, you will find the humor in the writer's words.

It goes like this...

### Two kinds of obituaries

There are two kinds of obituaries – the truthful and the untruthful ones. The kind generally written is something after this style:

“John Doe, one of the best citizens of this place, died last Sunday night after a short, but severe illness.

“He was a good Christian gentleman, moral, intelligent and industrious member of society and will be much missed in the walks of life by his many friends.

“Death loves a shining mark, hence the angels came and called for John Doe. We



doubt not that he is at rest and is wearing a crown of righteousness and walking the golden paved streets of the New Jerusalem. We extend sympathy to the bereaved.”

The truthful and honest obituary notice would probably read something like the following: “John Doe, worthless and easily-spared citizen of this place, took it into his head to shuffle of this mortal coil, last Sunday night.

“He had been complaining of not feeling very well for sometime, but on account of the worthlessness of the fellow, no one felt any particular interest in the case.

“He was one of the common, every-day fellows who laid around the saloons, drank all the free whiskey he could get, was a poor provider for his family, occasionally beat his wife and children and was a generally bad character.

“We hate to say it, but we doubt not he is in a warmer climate than this, where he ought to have been long ago. We congratulate the family on having gotten rid of such a husband and father.”

For writing an obituary like the first – when the editor well knows he has lived like a dog – the family gives no thanks, but wants a half-dozen copies of the paper for which they do not offer to

pay a cent. If he should truthfully write the second, the newspaper would likely have a half-dozen fights with some of the relations, and besides all this, be sued for slandering a man whose character was so bad that he could not be misrepresented by any standards.

\*\*\* Collecting obituaries has been a hobby of mine for some 25-plus years. Here are a couple of the more unusual ones.

### Feb. 4, 1927 Farmer drowned in flood waters

Finis L. Black, farmer of the Bells Mines community, drowned last Saturday afternoon at about 3 o'clock in the high water at the bridge over the Tradewater River near the mouth of Cypress Creek near Sturgis.

Mr. Black and his sister, Miss Alice Black, were on the way from their home to Sturgis and were making the trip in their buggy. As they reached the fill on the Crittenden County side of the bridge and had started to drive on it, it is said that they noticed a number of logs that were floating about in the high water that was running over the fill.

They decided that these logs might frighten their horse and started to turn around to go back home. In turning the front feet of the horse, the horse and buggy and the two people were plunged into the water several feet below.

Mr. Black was said to have been an excellent swimmer and made a desperate effort to reach safety, but was unable to do so. His

heavy boots and long wool winter coat, when saturated with water, was also a hindrance in his efforts to swim and save himself.

Miss Black could not swim but held to a log until she was rescued by G.C. Snell, who was crossing the creek in a boat. Mr. Black was within a few feet of the log where his sister was clinging when he sank.

There were several witnesses to the accident, but they were unable to do anything for the victims as they were on the other side of the backwater and unable to swim.

It was about an hour before Mr. Black's body was recovered and efforts were made to revive him. The horse, held under the water by the weight of the buggy, also drowned.

Mr. Black was 70 years old and had lived all of his life in the home where he resided at the time of his death.

It was the old family homestead and had been owned by Mr. Black's father, John L. Black. The deceased had been a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Bells Mines for 56 years and was also a member of the Sturgis Masonic Chapter and the Knight of Pythias. He was one of the leading farmers of his community.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Black residence, with interment in the family cemetery near the home.

Mr. Black is survived by three sisters, Miss Alice Black, who made her home with him, Mrs. J.W. Hughes of Repton and Mrs. P.D. Robertson of Springfield and

one brother, Len Black, who also made his home with his brother.

(The Black family farm and family cemetery are located near the Crittenden-Union County Line on Ky. 365.)

### Sept. 16, 1932 Farmer killed by fallen log Ben Crider, 44, a prominent farmer of Piney Fork, was accidentally killed Thursday afternoon when a log he was loading rolled back and pinned him beneath it, crushing his hands, arms and head.

His wife, Mrs. Grace Brown Crider, who teaches at Belmont School, was returning from her school about 4:30 when her husband's dog came running into the path barking excitedly.

Sensing some danger, Mrs. Crider dismounted and followed the dog a short distance where she saw the body of her husband, prostrate beneath the log. Examining physicians said he had been dead since 12 o'clock.

Mr. Crider had left home that morning and was not expected back for lunch. The log had been given to him by his mother to saw into lumber for some repair work. The scene of the accident was scarcely a quarter-mile from his mother's home.

The hooks he was using in loading the log were the identical ones used by Jim Louis Hunt when the was killed seven years ago the same day.

Mr. Crider had lived in Crittenden County all his live, with the exception of six or seven years he spent in Detroit, Mich.

He was a brother to Burk



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**Finis Black lost his life in the floodwaters of the Tradewater River in 1927. His obituary gives the details of the accident. People in the area talked about his death for many years.**

Crider of Princeton, Ind., and Allen and Burnie Crider of this county. In addition to his mother, wife and three brothers, Mr. Crider also leaves three children, Olga Nelle, 8; Harry, 4; and Bobby John, 1.

Funeral services were at Piney Ford (Cumberland Presbyterian) Church with burial in Piney Fork Cemetery.

(Brenda Underdown is Crittenden County's historian and serves on the board of the historical and genealogical societies in the county. She is also active in maintaining Crittenden County Historical Museum.)



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## CCES students and teachers celebrate 100 days of school

Even though it took a little longer than normal with the accumulated snow days, Crittenden County Elementary School students got the opportunity to dress as senior citizens as they celebrated the 100th day of school on Feb. 11. Pictured are (front from left) Jazmyn Lineberry, Jacob Suggs, Preston Sisco, Taylor Gnaw, Carson Montalta, Nicholas Pendley and Genesis Calderon (second row, from left) Sydney Harkins, Natalee Buchanan, Trevor Eifler, Wesley Fritts, Colton Gillard, Gavin Peek, Kaydinz Tinsley, Emilee Russelburg, Hanna Collins, Nate Faith, Noah Clark, Aerie Suggs, Vayda Moranz and Kylie Bloodworth; (back row, from left,) Sarah Riley, Natalie Boone, Carly Towery, Karsen Shouse, Madalyn Schiller, Hailey McCann, Sam Impastato, Lanie Greenwell, Kaden Langston, Lexi Wesmolan, Emily Henderson, Addie Hatfield, Briley Berry, Jacob Hoover, Callie Dempsey, McKenna Myers, Jennifer Bell and Heather Bloodworth.

## Mitchell named American Legion ‘Veteran of the Month’ for February

### STAFF REPORT

Robert D. Mitchell was honored Feb. 14 by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 217 of Burna.

Mitchell, accompanied by his wife Pearl, was presented with a certificate and given recognition for his service to his country. Mitchell, a twin, was born Aug. 11, 1936 near Burna.

He graduated from Salem High School in May 1955 and joined the United States Air Force on Sept. 9, 1955. He served six years and nine months. He was discharged on June 8, 1962. After basic training at Sampson Air Base in New York, Mitchell was assigned to radar training at Lowery Air Base in Denver, Colo. Following basic training, he was stationed at

Tyndall Air Force Base, in Panama City, Fla; Minot Air Force Base, in Minot, N.D.; McGuire Air Force Base, in N.J.; and Hughes Air Craft Company, in Culver City, Calif.



Mitchell

After his military service, he worked for the Federal Aviation Administration. He retired on Sept. 3, 1991 after more than 36 years of government service.

After he and his wife Pearl moved back to Livingston County, Mitchell worked at the Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant for

21 years until Jan. 3, 2014.

He joined the American Legion Post 217 in the fall of 1993 and became the post commander. He served as commander until 2000. He then assumed the position of post adjutant. In 2009 he accepted the vice-commander position and became post commander once again and served in this position until the election of officers in 2013.

Mitchell has been a member of the American Legion Post 217 for 21 years.

Post members offered their thanks and appreciation for Mitchell's military service and his continuing service to the post and veterans alike.

## Local students named to dean's list at Madisonville Community College

### STAFF REPORT

Madisonville Community College has released its dean's list for the fall 2013 semester.

“Being named to the dean's list indicates that a student has completed 12 credit hours with a minimum GPA of 3.5 in 100-level or above coursework.”

said Chief Student Affairs Officer Dr. Jay Parrent. “We are proud of the academic accomplishments of our students.”

The following Crittenden County students were named to the dean's list: Michael Adams, Donna Bradley, Mark Farmer, Lydia Fritts, Whitney Murray and Jason Nesbitt.

(Editor's note: Some colleges and universities, such as Murray State University, do not release dean's and president's lists to newspapers. This may also include graduation announcements and honors. If a student wants their information posted in a local paper, the student must request this information through their respective school.)

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BASKETBALL

Upcoming prep games  
Crittenden County Schedule

**Friday**  
Boys & Girls host Ft. Campbell  
**Next Week**  
Crittenden hosts 5th Dist. Tourn.

Rocket alumni game

There will be age-specific Rocket alumni basketball games starting at 2 p.m., Sunday, March 9 at Rocket Arena. Anyone who has played for CCHS in the past is eligible to form his own team or participate. Teams must be made up of 5-8 players. There will be two age brackets: 39-under and 40-over. Players 40-up may play with the younger group. Pull-over scrimmage jerseys will be provided. To enter, contact Travis Perryman at (270)-969-1168 or travis.perryman123@yahoo.com. Admission will be \$5.

OUTDOORS

Hunting seasons

Raccoon	Oct. 1 - Feb. 28
Squirrel	Nov. 11 - Feb. 28
Trapping	Nov. 11 - Feb. 28
Bobcat	Nov. 23 - Feb. 28
Crow	Jan. 4 - Feb. 28
Groundhog	Year Round
Coyote Daytime	Year Round
Coyote Nighttime	Feb. 1 - May 31
Turkey Youth	April 5-6
Spring Turkey	April 12 - May 4

LBL quota turkey apps

Application deadline for a spring turkey quota permit at Land Between the Lakes is Feb. 28. Hunters will be selected for the available quota permits by computer drawing. Kentucky quota hunts include a two-day youth hunt for hunters (15-under) March 29-30, a two-day hunt April 8-9 and a two-day hunt April 12-13.

Wild game Saturday

Mexico Baptist Church's annual wild game supper will be at 5 p.m., Saturday. Featured speaker will be Joe Bufford, pro staffer for Xtreme Christian Outdoors TV.

SOCCER

Registration Saturday

Registration for Crittenden County's youth spring soccer leagues will be from 9 a.m., until noon on Feb. 22 at Dairy Queen in Marion. There will be a second registration period from 6-8 p.m., March 11 at Dairy Queen. March 14 is the final day to register. Season begins March 24. Contact Shana Geary by email for more information, shanawg@yahoo.com.

BASEBALL

March 15 is deadline

Registration for recreational softball and baseball for boys and girls ages 4-12 is now under way. Crittenden County Dugout Club is accepting registrations via mail or during a skills assessment from 9-11 a.m., March 15 at Crittenden County Middle School gym. Only players age 7-up will attend skills assessment. Registration forms are available online at The-Press.com (follow the Sports link), on the Dugout Club's Facebook page, at Crittenden Middle School office or The Crittenden Press. Forms were in CCES student backpacks last week. For information, contact Chris Evans at (270) 965-3191. Deadline to register without penalty is March 15. No registrations accepted after March 21 because the local teams will be participating in a league that includes Princeton, Dawson Springs and Eddyville, and rosters will be frozen.

7-8 travel baseball

Anyone interested in participating in a 7-8-year-old travel baseball team based out of Marion can call (270) 969-0965.

FOOTBALL

Tackle meeting tonight

There will be a meeting at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 20 at Pagliai's in Princeton to discuss plans for an upcoming tackle football game between Crittenden and Caldwell alumni. Alumni Football USA is hosting the full-contact alumni game April 26 at Crittenden County. For more information, call Tracy Armstrong at 704-1366 or AFUSA at (614) 604-9669. Cost is \$100 per player and is due at registration. Gate fee at the game will be \$10 per person. The Rocket football team will receive a portion of funds raised during this event.

# Rockets host 5th District Tournament

## Does Blue's chances hinge on black ankle?

STAFF REPORT

Rocket senior center Devin Belt's ankle remains black and blue which may create a big problem for Crittenden County (7-19) when it hosts Livingston Central (6-19) in Tuesday's opening round of the Fifth District Tournament.

The Rockets have the No. 2 seed going into postseason after having beaten Lyon County and Livingston Central twice and losing two close games to top-seeded Trigg County.

Belt, however, has been a major figure in the Rockets' Fifth District success. In Crittenden's six district matchups this year, he was the team's leading scorer, netting 15.2 points a game. Belt's inside defensive presence and rebounding have also been key in those games.

Since suffering a severe ankle sprain in the overtime victory Saturday against Hardin County (Ill.), Belt has been immobilized. He missed a day of school and has been on crutches since getting back to class Tuesday. His prognosis isn't good, but it's improving, the big center said Tuesday night as he watched the Union game from the sideline. He has missed the Rockets' last two outings – losses at St. Mary Monday and Union County at Marion – and is questionable Friday for senior night when Fort Campbell comes to town. If he does play, it might only be sparingly.

Rocket coach Denis Hodge knows how important it is to have Belt back in the lineup, and healthy.

"It's vital to us. He's the biggest man on the floor," said Hodge.

With Belt out, point guard Aaron Owen has been under greater pressure to score. He netted 22 against Union and the Rockets lost by 14.

"The post is very important to our offense," Hodge explained. "If he can't go, one of our other bigs will have to step up. Dakota Watson, Colby Watson or Zach Tinsley will have to put the ball in the basket against pressure."

<b>Union County 57, Crittenden 43</b>				
Union County	17	15	13	12
Crittenden County	11	6	13	13
UNION – Fleming 15, Ricketson 2, Anglin 2, Floyd 18, Strunk 4, Foster 3, Chaykowski 13. FG 24. 3-pointers 4 (Floyd 2, Strunk 1, Foster 1) FT 5-12.				



Crittenden County's Landon Young (3) pulls down a rebound in front of teammate Travis Gilbert during Monday's game at Paducah St. Mary.

CRITTENDEN – Young 2, Owen 22, Gilbert 4, D.Watson 4, C.Watson, Dickerson 7, Champion, Hicks, Tinsley 4. FG 14. 3-pointers 5 (Owen 4, Dickerson 1). FT 10-13.

<b>St. Mary 68, Crittenden 38</b>				
Crittenden County	8	9	11	10
Paducah St. Mary	17	18	19	14
CRITTENDEN – Young 3, Owen 8, Gilbert 9, D.Watson 4, Dickerson 6, Champion 2, Hicks 2, Tinsley 2, Driver 2, Hadfield. FG 14-48. 3-pointers 2-14 (Young, Dickerson). FT 8-12. Rebounds 25 (Watson 5).				
ST. MARY – Dickens 7, Overstreet 15, Hubert 9, Dome 6, Averill 10, Vaughan 4, Eggemeyer 5, Deneue, Smith 2, Hopper 4, A.Hubert 3, Blackwell 3. FG 25-49. 3-pointers 3-12 (Dome 2, Blackwell 1). FT 15-19. Rebounds 36 (Overstreet 9).				
<b>Crittenden 73, Hardin Co. 65, OT</b>				
Hardin Co (Ill.)	18	20	7	16
Crittenden Co.	19	12	9	21
HARDIN COUNTY – Comm 3, Austin 17, Smith 6, Dalton 1, Mayler 8, Hicks 7, Winters 12, Seavers 11. FG 15-28. 3-pointers 4-8 (Smith 2, Austin 2). FT 31-47. Rebounds 31 (Smith 6).				
CRITTENDEN – Owen 21, Young 15, Dickerson, Hicks, Gilbert 17, Champion 2, Tinsley 8, C.Wat-				

ROCKET STATISTICAL LEADERS			
Player	Pts. Avg	FT	Reb. Avg.
A.Owen	12.4	78-133	2.4
D.Belt	10.8	34-76	5.9
L.Young	7.0	23-38	1.9
T.Gilbert	5.0	24-34	0.9
D.Watson	4.4	20-40	3.1
N.Dickerson	3.8	9-17	2.3
C.Watson	3.7	22-41	2.7
Z.Tinsley	2.0	6-16	1.3
T.Champion	1.8	7-18	1.7

son 2, D.Watson 3, Belt 5. FG 22-51. 3-pointers 4-18 (Young 2, Gilbert 2). FT 25-44. Rebounds 25 (Belt 3, C.Watson 3, Champion 3).

<b>Hopkins Central 68, Crittenden 66</b>				
Crittenden County	16	17	21	12
Hopkins Central	15	17	16	20
CRITTENDEN – Young 4, Owen 28, Gilbert 8, Dickerson 7, D.Watson 8, Belt 8, Champion 2, C.Watson, Hicks 1, Tinsley. FG 23. 3-pointers 3 (Owen). FT 15-28.				
HOPKINS CENTRAL – Barnhill 5, White 8, Myers 4, Coakley 5, Parris 13, Troutman 9, Gant 22, Willis, Greer, Pearson 2.				

# On track?

## Girls are up, down

STAFF REPORT

If its play at St. Mary (14-9) Monday night is any indication of the Lady Rockets' readiness for next week's Fifth District Tournament, coach Shannon Hodge is near content. If Tuesday's 26-point loss to Hopkins Central is the measuring stick, then things aren't so good.

There's plenty of room for improvement, Hodge stresses, but the skipper saw some of the brightest light of the season in Paducah despite a 14-point loss.

The Lady Rockets (6-17) led by as many as five at St. Mary and were still ahead with just over a minute to go in the third before St. Mary reeled off a 13-3 run to take control.

Among other points, Crittenden's improved play was bolstered by 42-percent shooting – by far its best of the season – and Chelsea Oliver's defense against the First Region's leading scorer, Casey Kupper, who was held to 15, seven points below her average. Had it not been for a couple of timely three-pointers down the stretch, Crittenden might have been poised for the upset.

"We've been talking about the mental aspect of the game, being mentally ready for the physical stuff," Hodge said. "I think they're finally buying into it."

Hodge said her young team – one senior and two starting freshmen –

showed signs of immaturity late when St. Mary made their run.

"I think we got a few points down and fell apart because we quit doing the things we'd done earlier in the game," the coach explained.

Hodge liked the intensity she saw at St. Mary against a very solid, senior-dominated team, but Tuesday's loss to Hopkins Central (15-9) was certainly a setback. After a close firstd half, Crittenden's defense fell apart and the Lady Storm struck.

So, is her team peaking at the right time, with a matchup against Livingston Central in the district tournament looming Monday?

"I saw as much emotion and we executed as well as we have all year long (at St. Mary)," Hodge said. "We have a chance to win Friday (Fort Campbell) and then the district is at our place, where we really haven't played much this year."

Crittenden played just eight of its 23 games at home this season. Unfortunately, they have not won too many of those.

<b>Hopkins Central 76, Crittenden 50</b>				
Hopkins Central	17	16	16	27
Crittenden County	13	11	9	17
HOPKINS CENTRAL – Orten, Adams, L.Campbell 17, Hughes 2, White 17, Medlen 3, LaCora Campbell 12, Bowman 4, LaCora Campbell 10, M.Campbell 7, Hardy 4. FG 28. 3-pointers 1 (L.Campbell). FT 19-28.				
CRITTENDEN – McDowell 3, C.Moss 18, Oliver 20, Collins, Nesbitt, K.Moss 2, Lynch 2, Pierce 4, Riley, Evans, Johnson, Beverly 1. FG 20. 3-pointers 0. FT 10-21.				
<b>St. Mary 64, Crittenden 50</b>				
Crittenden County	18	13	11	8
Paducah St. Mary	13	17	14	20
CRITTENDEN – McDowell 4, C.Moss 19, Oliver 12, Collins 7, Nesbitt 2, K.Moss 2, Lynch 4. FG 20. 3-				



pointers 1 (C.Moss). FT 9-15.  
ST. MARY – Durbin 25, Kupper 15, Word 14, Gipson 2, Koenig 2, Bratton 4, Thomas 2. FG 25. 3-pointers 4 (Word). FT 10-19.

<b>Hopkins Central 66, Crittenden 46</b>				
Crittenden County	12	8	9	17
Hopkins Central	15	18	12	21
Crittenden County				
CRITTENDEN – McDowell, C.Moss 16, Oliver 18, Collins 1, Nesbitt 2, Lynch 3, K.Moss 2, Pierce 4, Evans, Riley, Johnson, Beverly. FG 18. 3-pointers none. FT 10-31.				
HOPKINS CENTRAL – Orten, Adams 1, L.Campbell 14, Hughes 2, White 12, Medlen, LaCara Campbell 16, Bowman, LaCora Campbell 10, Ma.Campbell 9, Camplin, Hardy 2. FG 29. 3-pointers 1 (Ma.Campbell). FT 7-18.				

# POST SEASON

## Fifth District Tournament at Rocket Arena

**MONDAY**  
**Girls' Semifinals**  
Trigg County vs. Lyon Co., 6 p.m.  
Crittenden vs. Livingston, 7:30 p.m.  
**TUESDAY**  
**Boys' Semifinals**  
Lyon Co. vs. Trigg County, 6 p.m.  
Crittenden vs. Livingston, 7:30 p.m.  
**THURSDAY**  
Girls' championship, 7 p.m.  
**FRIDAY**  
Boys' championship, 7 p.m.

## BLASTS OF THE PAST

<b>Boys 5th District Champions</b>	
2013	Trigg County
2012	Livingston Central
2011	Livingston Central
2010	Lyon County
2009	Trigg County
2008	Lyon County
2007	Trigg County
2006	Trigg County
2005	Trigg County
2004	Lyon County
2003	Trigg County
2002	Lyon County
2001	Lyon County
2000	Lyon County
1999	Lyon County
1998	Crittenden County
1997	Trigg County
1996	Caldwell County
1995	Trigg County
1994	Livingston Central

<b>Girls 5th District Champions</b>	
2013	Livingston Central
2012	Livingston Central
2011	Crittenden County
2010	Lyon County
2009	Trigg County
2008	Livingston Central
2007	Lyon County
2006	Lyon County
2005	Caldwell County
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1998	Caldwell County
1997	Caldwell County
1996	Caldwell County
1995	Caldwell County
1994	Caldwell Central

LADY ROCKET SCORING			
Player	Gams	Pts.	Avg.
McDowell	22	124	5.64
C Moss	22	239	10.86
Oliver	22	341	15.50
Collins	22	67	3.05
Nesbitt	22	51	2.32
Lynch	22	31	1.41
K Moss	21	51	2.43
Pierce	20	15	0.75
Riley	13	0	0.00
Johnson	11	4	0.36
Evans	17	12	0.71
Beverly	12	1	0.08
TOTAL	21	936	44.57



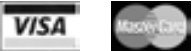


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This Ordinance pursuant to KRS 65.940 to 65.956, the Governmental Leasing Act, authorizes the Mayor to execute on behalf of the City various instruments for the purpose of refinancing the fire station at an amount not greater than \$1,000,000.00 with Paducah Bank. Further in compliance with applicable KRS authorizes the Mayor to give notice to the State Local Debt Officer of the City's intent to enter into said lease. This Ordinance also designates said lease as a qualified tax-exempt obligation.

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By virtue of a Judgment and Order of Sale rendered by the Crittenden Circuit Court on the January 16, 2014, I will on Friday, February 28, 2014, beginning at the hour of 10:00 A.M. at the Courthouse door in the City of Marion, Crittenden County, Kentucky, proceed to offer for sale to the highest and best bidder the following described real property located in Crittenden County, Kentucky, to-wit:

Property Address: 4597 US Highway 641, Crayne, Kentucky

**DESCRIPTION:**  
A certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Crittenden County, Kentucky, in the village of Crayne, and bounded and described as follows:

BEGINNING at Northwest corner of J.E. Keeling's lot and R.R. right-of-way and running thence along line of said Keeling in an Eastern direction to West line of Highway No. 91, a division corner; thence North along line of said highway No. 91, for distance of 60 feet, a division corner between Eugene Cruce and Claude Cruce this day made; thence West or nearly so along a division line between said Eugene Cruce and Claude Cruce and parallel with J.E. Keeling's line to the R.R. right-of-way, a division corner between said Eugene Cruce and Claude Cruce, thence

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South or nearly so along the R.R. right-of-way to point of beginning, and being a lot 60 feet along Highway No. 91.

**SOURCE OF TITLE**

Being the same property conveyed to Bernal Little and his wife, Linda L. Little, jointly with the right of survivorship, by Kenn-Carlton, Inc., a Kentucky corporation, by Deed dated April 5, 1996 and recorded in Deed Book 174, at page 230; the interest of Linda L. Little having vested in Bernal Little at her death; all records in the Crittenden County Clerk's Office.

Subject to all restrictions, conditions, covenants and to all legal highways and easements.

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# Fohs Hall Ball raises \$8,000

STAFF REPORT

The biennial Fohs Hall Ball drew a capacity crowd Saturday night. The black-tie event that serves as the community building's major fundraising event.

Fohs Hall was built in 1926 and is one of Marion's most recognizable buildings. A former school, it was donated to the community in 1981 when Fohs Hall Inc. was formed. Original charter members included Alan Stout, Ethel Tucker, Nancy Hunt and the late Paul E. Mick, Richard Conrad and George L. Patmor.

Every two years, Fohs Hall hosts a formal ball and fundraising auction that help finance routine maintenance and capital improvements at

the civic building. Last week-end's gala raised about \$8,000 from ticket sales and the charity auction. Almost 100 attended the event, and headlining the auction was a \$2,000 contribution for a ponytail grown by Keith Stout, who is brother to the non-profit organization's chairman. Their 96-year-old aunt, Ethel Tucker, widely known as matriarch of Marion, was given a pair of scissors to trim off the ponytail.

A dinner at Tucker's home sold for \$1,300. Other auction items included a weekend at Green Turtle Bay Resort, a guided quail hunt at Winghaven Lodge in rural Crittenden County, diamond earrings from Michelson Jewelers in Paducah and a tour

above Crittenden County donated by local pilot Jim Johnson.

Farmers Bank and Trust Co. of Marion was corporate sponsor for the event, and Par 4 Plastics was also a corporate partner. Conrad's Food Store catered the meal and the Temple Airs of Evansville, Ind., provided entertainment along with a special performance by opera star Corey Crider.

The ball has been held regularly since 2004. Stout, chairman of Fohs Hall Inc., said this year's event was a huge success and comes on the heels of the second major renovation project for the building since it's been managed by the local non-profit group. A new roof, floor and

HVAC renovation project has cost the group almost \$130,000.

"We continue to fulfill the vision of its benefactor, F. Julius Fohs," said Stout.

Fohs operated a fluorspar mine here in the early 1900s. He built and donated the stately hall to the community.

An Internet website and Facebook page will be launched this spring to help promote the building's public opportunities. It may be rented for a variety of private affairs and it is home to the Fohs Hall Community Arts Foundation which produces and hosts a number of shows and plays each year. The annual Miss Crittenden County Pageant is also held at Fohs Hall each summer.

# Marion refinances fire station for savings

By DARYL K. TABOR  
PRESS EDITOR

By choosing Paducah Bank to refinance its loan for construction of its fire station, the City of Marion will save tens of thousands of dollars over an alternative option through the Kentucky League of Cities.

On Monday, council members approved the move to secure a permanent, tax-free loan to pay off the new fire station at the corner of Main and Bellville streets. By choosing Paducah Bank

over a financing option through the Kentucky League of Cities, the city should save about \$200,000 over the life of the loan, according to Marion City Administrator Mark Bryant.

"This is much more attractive," Bryant said. "We're going to save money over anything else we can get."

The \$750,000 loan carries a 4.5-percent interest rate. The city's debt service will be about \$59,000 annually.

The loan is 20-year amor-

tized with a 15-year balloon payment, meaning payments are figured as if the loan would be paid off with interest over 20 years, and at the end of 15 years, a balloon payment would be due. That payment would be about \$200,000 and can be paid in full at that time or refinanced.

Bryant is hopeful at the end of that 15 years the city would be able to make the one-time balloon payment.

Opened in May 2012, the new fire station cost the city

just under \$1 million to build. The building was initially financed through Farmers Bank & Trust Co. of Marion with a temporary construction loan. A permanent loan is being established at Paducah Bank because Farmers Bank does not offer a tax-exempt loan.

"Smaller banks don't have that resource at their disposal," Bryant said, explaining why the loan was moved to Paducah.

Farmers Bank is helping to facilitate moving the loan.

# Assessment finds most kindergarteners not ready

FROM STAFF AND AP REPORTS

A new report released last month says about half of kindergartners in Kentucky aren't prepared to master essential skills in school. In Crittenden County, that number was even higher.

Media-reported results of the assessment, which was released Jan. 30, found that 51 percent of Kentucky students who started school in the fall of 2013 weren't ready. Data from the same assessment showed 63 percent of students at Crittenden County Elementary School

were unprepared.

Kindergartners across the state were given the Brigance screener, which includes tasks such as reciting the alphabet and counting to 30. The screener is designed to provide teachers with information early in the school year that can be used to guide instruction to meet a student's individual needs.

Gov. Steve Beshear, who supports expanding early childhood education, said the results are disappointing but not surprising.

"From day one, these stu-

dents may be at a disadvantage," Beshear said in a statement. "Too often, they don't catch up with their peers. As a result, these students may face years of poor grades and negative school experiences that usually only end when they drop out or graduate from high school unprepared for college or career."

Education Commissioner Terry Holliday says the data can be used to help future students.

"This data will help us prevent and close achievement gaps before they become in-

surmountable," he said.

Terry Brooks, director of Kentucky Youth Advocates, said he hopes schools don't take the wrong attitude.

"We have to be careful that schools don't take the attitude, 'If these kids just came to us ready, we could do something with them,'" he said.

Crittenden County Elementary School principal Melissa Tabor said Kentucky's new Common Core Standards have changed the face of education at all levels.

"It is important for parents to know the new academic expectations so they can better prepare their child for a successful kindergarten year," Tabor said. "Children entering kindergarten are expected to know much more than in past years. Skills that were once taught in first and second grades can now be found in the kindergarten classroom."



PHOTO BY CHRIS EVANS, THE PRESS

The new clock turret at Crittenden County Elementary School offers light through its windows into the lobby of the school. The tower will be covered to match the dark brick of building's exterior.

## TALK

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slab.

Now, that shouldn't shake and break in bad weather.

The state will help out by flagging and providing some equipment for the project and all work will be done at night by city crews in order to reduce the burden on traffic flow.

With respect to the guard tower issue... Well, it really isn't a guard tower. It just resembles one. And

without sounding crude or insensitive, I am not sure guard towers aren't necessary at elementary schools with all the tragic shootings there have been in the last few years.

However, the white clock turret at Crittenden County Elementary School will not be manned with armed guards. Right now, the tower is sticking out like a hair on a hotdog. Its white exterior against the otherwise dark brick on the new construction has some folks wondering exactly what gives.

Never fear, school officials say the cupola will, indeed, be painted or covered in some fashion that will be aesthetically tolerable. Inside, it's really not even a tower, just a vaulted ceiling with natural light pouring into the lobby through those small rectangular windows near the top of the tower.

Funny, though, that my son and I both wondered if it would be manned by Dr. Johnny or some of the other WatchDOGS on patrol at CCES.

## INMATE

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on the prisoner, which included applying a defibrillator twice. CPR continued on the inmate on the way to the hospital with Owen administering the bag valve mask to assist with breathing.

After assessment at the local emergency room, the inmate was transferred to Lourdes and admitted to the intensive care unit, where he

remained at press time.

Parker, a former warden at Kentucky State Penitentiary in Eddyville, said his deputies performed flawlessly in saving the inmate's life.

"I couldn't have asked for a better response," he said.

Since the inmate was admitted to Lourdes, the local detention center has had to post a guard round the clock at the hospital. On Tuesday afternoon, however, custody of the inmate was officially

transferred to the Kentucky Department of Corrections Probation and Parole, meaning the county jail was no longer responsible for providing security.

The guards have been pulled and Corrections will now check in on the man periodically, Parker said.

Crittenden County Detention Center was responsible for the first \$1,000 of medical care for the inmate. The state will pick up the expenses from there.

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